The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners Board Meeting Minutes September 27, 2013

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on September 27, 2013, at 100 North Union Street, Suite 736 in Montgomery, Alabama with the chairman and secretary present.

Board Chair, James Ware, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including: District VII representative James Ware- Board Chair District VI representative Mandy Andrews- Vice Chair District IV representative Paula Johnson District V representative Esophia Clayborn

Attorney Ellen Leonard was present for the entire meeting.

Executive Director, Rebecca Goodson, was present for the entire meeting.

Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by a show of hands. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State and posted on the Secretary of State website.

Approval of Minutes:

A copy of the minutes from the July 26, 2013 Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. Paula Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Mandy Andrews, Michael Daley, Paula Johnson, and James Ware. Opposed: none.

Old Business:

- a. Rebecca Goodson updated the Board on the status of complaints. Two (2) new complaints were received. Four (4) are pending licensee response. One (1) has been closed.
- b. Diagnosis Bill: The Board received a letter from NASW-Alabama regarding creating a legislative committee to assist with support of social work legislation.
- c. Discussion was held regarding the lease of office space. Paula Johnson made a motion to move forward with continuing to lease at the RSA Building. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Board Business:

- a. Michael Daley spoke at the NASW conference in Mobile, AL.
- b. The list of new licensees was reviewed and approved.
- c. Items of Interest
 - 1. Personnel Updates/Issues: Robin Smith has been hired as an ASA II.
 - 2. Major Projects: Discussion was held regarding the suggestion of charging for licensure verification and copies. It was discussed that the data base and website updates should be a priority as they are critical.

Requests:

- a. Dorann Tanner from Alabaster City School was scheduled to speak with the Board, however will reschedule at a later date.
- b. The Board reviewed and discussed the information submitted by Renita Davis and determined it to be an internal agency decision of her employer.
- c. The Board reviewed and discussed the information submitted by Carrie Nelson and determined it to be an internal agency decision of her employer.

Late Request: The request of Jamie Alvey was tabled for reconsideration during the PIP reviews.

- 1. Supervision Review
 - a. The Board discussed Crystal Whitehead's supervision request. Paula Johnson made a motion to accept Ms. Whitehead's supervision. Mandy Andrews seconded the request. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Legal Reviews
 - a. The Board reviewed the request of Bonita Scott to sit for the exam. Paula Johnson made a motion to allow Ms. Scott to sit for the exam. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. The Board reviewed the Paula K. Spooner for reciprocity. At 10:55 a.m. Mandy Andrews made a motion to enter executive session for ten (10) minutes to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Paula Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Mandy Andrews, Esophia Clayborn, Paula Johnson, and James Ware. Opposing the motion: none. At 10:59 a.m. Mandy Andrews made a motion to rise from executive session. Paula Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Mandy Andrews, Esophia Clayborn, Paula Johnson, and James Ware. Opposing the motion: none. Esophia Clayborn made a motion that Paula K. Spooner be allowed LCSW reciprocity

in Alabama. Paula Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

c. The Board reviewed the request of Angelique N. Woods to sit for the exam. Paula Johnson made a motion to allow Ms. Woods to sit for the exam. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Initial PIP Applications

a. Stephen H. Johnson:

Approved: Social Casework, Clinical Social Work

Denied: Social Work Administration

b. Stacey Y. Luck:

Approved: Social Casework

Denied: Social Work Administration

c. Edward Welch:

Approved: Social Casework, Clinical Social Work,

Social Work Administration

Denied: None

d. Carrie Wells:

Approved: Social Casework Denied: Clinical Social Work

PIP Reconsiderations and Additions:

a. Karen C. Blackwood:

Approved: Clinical Social Work

Denied: None b. Katherine I Hummel:

Approved: Clinical Social Work, Social Work Administration

Denied: None c. Janet G. Rawls:

Approved: Clinical Social Work, Social Work Administration

Denied: None

d. Regina Sankey:

Denied: None

Approved: Clinical Social Work

e. Jamie Alvey:

Approved: Clinical Social Work

Denied: None

Esophia Clayborn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 p.m. Paula Johnson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2013 in the Board Conference Room

Board Chair

Board Secretary

James Ware

Jenny Story